#### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

JULIUS BRYANT, individually and on behalf of a class of all persons and entities similarly situated,

CASE NO.: 4:24-cv-00272-O

Plaintiff,

JUDGE REED O'CONNOR

v.

NEXTGEN LEADS LLC,

Defendant.

#### <u>APPENDIX IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO COMPEL ARBITRATION</u>

Pursuant to the Federal Arbitration Act and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(1), Defendant NextGen Leads LLC respectfully files this Appendix in Support of Motion to Compel Arbitration.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on May 28, 2024, I caused a copy of the foregoing document to be served by the Electronic Case Filing System for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas.

/s/ Frank Brame

Counsel for Defendant

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#### **DECLARATION OF CHRIS KELLY**

- 1. Pursuant to U.S.C. § 1746, I, Chris Kelly, declare as follows:
- 2. I am the CEO of NextGen Leads LLC ("NextGen"). I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein, and if called upon to testify to those facts I could and would competently do so.
- 3. NextGen is an online customer acquisition firm focused on the insurance industry. NextGen utilizes internet advertising, online requests to be contacted (lead forms), and inbound telecommunications for various insurance products and services.
- 4. As CEO of NextGen, I am familiar with the consumer-facing websites operated by NextGen.
- 5. NextGen keeps and maintains the records in the ordinary course of its business operations as part of its business records, which are automatically generated by computer systems at the time of the event or occurrence to which the records relate.
- 6. NextGen owns and operates a website bearing the name "firstquotehealth.com," which advertises insurance quotes for healthcare and other products. The website contains a

submission page, where a consumer can enter his or her personal information, contact information, and request calls related to the requested products. The form submission page is located at <a href="https://quote.firstquotehealth.com/quote">https://quote.firstquotehealth.com/quote</a> ("firstquotehealth.com" and the form submission page are collectively referred to as the "Site").

- 7. Following receipt of the complaint in the above captioned lawsuit, NextGen researched the information stored in its database with respect to Plaintiff Julius Bryant. There is an entry with his name and telephone number (469) 223-7782 that was created from a from the Site on June 20, 2022 at or around 1:23 p.m. Central Daylight Time, from an Internet Protocol ("IP") address of 162.206.192.110 (the "Visit")
- 8. The data automatically generated from the Site at or near the time that they occur and maintained by NextGen for all submissions on the Site includes the following information for Plaintiff from the submission made on June 20, 202:

First Name: Julius

Last Name: Bryant

Email Address: oldschool2.jb@gmail.com

Primary Phone: 469-223-7782

Address: 3208 Flintridge Dr

City: Arlington

State: TX

Zip Code: 76017

Date of Birth:

9. This information for Plaintiff would not have been generated on the Site nor provided to NextGen had someone not entered the information and clicked the "Get Quote" button.

NextGen has no records of Plaintiff's name or phone number being obtained from any source or event other than the Visit.

10. After the user answers a series of questions and provides personal information to request to be contacted by NextGen, the user may click a "Get Quote" button. Immediately above the button the is the following text (the "Disclaimer"):

By clicking "GET QUOTE" below, I provide my express written consent by electronic signature to be contacted by third parties from this list of Marketing Partners about my request for information including, without limitation, by providing to me information, offers or advertisements by telephone call or text message to the number(s) I have provided on this form (including any cellular number), even if that number is on any local, state or national "Do Not Call" list, sent using an automatic telephone dialer or an artificial or prerecorded voice, and by email or live agent. This consent is not required as a condition of making a purchase. Message and Data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text "STOP" to 601-202-4796 to unsubscribe or "HELP" to 601-202-4796 for help. I have also read and accept the Privacy Policy and Terms of Use. I understand that I can revoke this consent at any time. I understand that this website collected my phone number, email, first name, last name, address, date of birth, income and zip code.

- 11. The Disclaimer also includes a hyperlink to its "Terms of Use," and by pressing the submit button, the user acknowledges that he or she has "also read and accept the ... Terms of Use." A true and accurate copy of the linked Terms of Use on the date of the Visit are attached as Exhibit 1.
- 12. To resolve questions about the accuracy, integrity, or validity of the nature of the leads generated on the Site, NextGen utilizes, among other verification and fraud detection tools, the lead verification services of ActiveProspect, Inc. ("ActiveProspect"). Data relating to the user and interactions on that page, including keystrokes, mouse clicks, data entry, and other electronic communications of visitors to websites, are tracked and maintained by ActiveProspect via a "TrustedForm Certificate of Authenticity" that the information submitted was authentic and the result of an actual user interaction.

- 13. NextGen has possession of the Certificate of Authenticity from TrustedForm by ActiveProspect associated with the Visit. A true and correct copy of the Certificate of Authenticity is available online at
- https://cert.trustedform.com/9a9320673d819ff740002206c489924ad340841c?shared\_token=ZGs

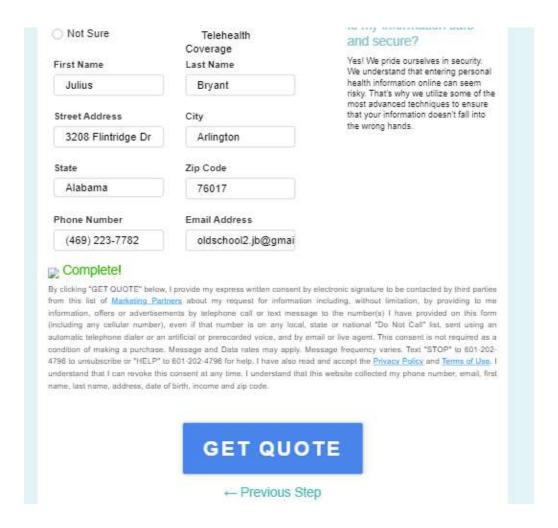
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- 14. The Certificate of Authenticity identifies the date, time, and length of the visit to the Site when Plaintiff's lead was created, the URL that was visited, the IP address, and the browser and operating system that they used.
- 15. The Certificate of Authenticity also contains a tab and a link for a "Session Replay" of what the user saw on the screen during their visit and their interaction. The Session Replay shows the interaction with the questionnaire on the Site for one minute and fifty-seven seconds.
- 16. The "Session Replay" of the Visit accurately shows the Site's form submission page and its corresponding Disclaimer language as they appeared on that date:



I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on May 28, 2024

Chris Kelly (May 28, 2024 10:27 PDT)

Chris Kelly

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# **EXHIBIT 1**

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